HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1273

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Grady Williams upon being named Chattanooga Area Manager of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to honor those Tennesseans who, through their adroit service and stellar management, have earned prestigious awards and have distinguished themselves as business and community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Grady Williams, President of the

Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants and Chairman of the Tennessee State Board

of Accountancy, who is the honored recipient of the 2010 Chattanooga Area Manager of the

Year Award; and

WHEREAS, in its twenty-fifth year, this award recognizes an executive manager who has made a significant contribution to the success of the Chattanooga and Hamilton County area; the winner is selected by members of the Chattanooga Area Manager of the Year organization; and

WHEREAS, the Chattanooga Area Manager of the Year Award is presented in conjunction with the national observance of Management Week in America, which specially recognizes the contributions and dedication of millions of managers who support the American Enterprise System; sponsors have joined together to promote sound managerial practices in all realms of American business; and

WHEREAS, Grady Williams will receive this coveted award at a luncheon on June 2, 2010, at the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams grew up in the Sequatchie Valley and joined CPA firm Hazlett Lewis & Bieter after graduating from Tennessee Tech in 1957, becoming a partner in 1968 and managing partner from 1977 to 1985; he was named senior partner in 1990 before retiring; and

WHEREAS, during his forty-seven years at Hazlett Lewis & Bieter, the firm grew from about thirty to ninety employees; and

WHEREAS, currently an affiliate with accounting firm Lattimore Black Morgan & Cain in Chattanooga, Mr. Williams was a key organizer in the startup of CapitalMark Bank, which he serves as Independent Lead Director and Audit Committee Chairman; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his ongoing professional endeavors, Mr. Williams lends his time and talents to volunteering as United Way Chairman, Chattanooga Theatre Centre President, and Parkridge Medical Center Board Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Grady Williams is most grateful for the love and companionship of his wife, Phyllis, his sons, and his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is a business and community leader in Chattanooga, this great State, and this nation, who endeavors to live by the highest tenets of ethical business practices and civic involvement, and he is most deserving of this award; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Grady Williams upon being named 2010 Chattanooga Area Manager of the Year, commend his many accomplishments and contributions to his community, and extend to him our best wishes for every success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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